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Honorable Lloyd M. Bentsen United States Senator 961 Federal Building Austin, Texa 78701

Dear Senator Bentsen:

Thank you for your letter of June 14, 1989, requesting information regarding citizens' concerns pertaining to the American Cyanamid plant located at 600 North Jones, Fort Worth, Texas.

The American Cyanamid facility was first brought to the attention of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in early 1980 by the U.S. Department of Labor. The EPA initiated an investigation of the site in 1980 and continued this investigation through 1982. The findings were that hazardous wastes had not been buried onsite, but were being stored in container and tank storage units. These units had been granted interim status to operate under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Operation of these storage units continued until 1983, at which time, the units were closed and the hazardous wastes removed as required in a closure plan approved by the Texas Water Commission (TWC).

Allegations concerning past operating practices at this site were recently raised again in various news media reports. EPA investigated similar allegations in 1980, 1981, and 1982. Based on data gathered during these investigations, it does not appear that hazardous waste was buried at the site, nor does the site appear to immediately threaten human health or the environment. EPA has determined that a new investigation is not warranted; however, these allegations are being investigated by the City Manager's Office in Fort Worth. EPA has offered to provide any necessary technical assistance for purposes of their investigation.

Please be assured that the Agency has a continuing interest in this matter. If you have any questions, or need further assistance, do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely yours,

Original Signed By:

Robert E. Layton Jr., P.E. Regional Administrator

bcc: R. Brown (6H-CS), D. Smith (6H-C), G. Jackson (6H), Gilleland (6AX) 6H-CT:JTRUITT:cds:07-10-89:5-6794 File Code No. TXB008017261 Enf. 1

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FROM: HONORABLE LLOYD M. BENTSEN D/TX

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(STATE OFFICE)

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# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20810

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Mr. Craig DeRemer, Director Office of Congressional Liaison Environment Protection Agency 401 M Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20460

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Dear Mr. DeRemer:

I recently received the enclosed constituent inquiry, and I would very much appreciate your providing me with any pertinent information you might have regarding the matter, or any assistance you might be able to give in routing it to the proper authorities.

Your kind consideration is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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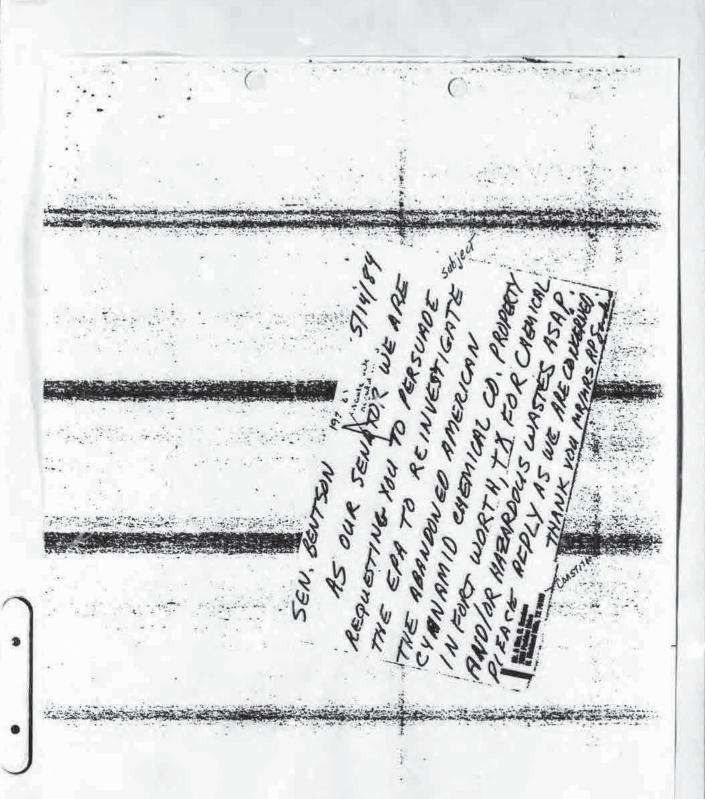
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PLEASE REPLY TO:

961 Federal Building Austin, Texas 78701 ATTN: Anne Mosher





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# MAY 3 1 1989

Mr. Douglas Harmon City Manager Office of the City Manager 1000 Throckmorton Street Fort Worth, Texas 76102

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/s/ Joe D. Winkle

Robert E. Layton Jr., P.E. Regional Administrator (5A)

bcc: R. Brown (6H-CS), D. Smith (6H-C), G. Jackson (6H), Gilleland (6AX)

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5/30/89

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Please be assured of the Agency's continuing interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Allyn M. Davis
Director
Hazardous Waste Management Division (6H)
bcc: R. Brown (6H-CS), D. Smith (6H-C), G. Jackson (6H)
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COLEMAN CHARLES GERSH

CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS



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May 11, 1989

Mr. Robert E. Layton, Jr. Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region VI 1445 Ross Avenue (6T-AN) Dallas, Texas 75202

Dear Mr. Layton:

The City of Fort Worth has been in contact with your agency regarding the American Cyanamid plant located at 600 North Jones, Fort Worth, Texas. Recently a Channel 8 news reporter stated that the Environmental Protection Agency was prepared to have a Technical Assistance Team investigate the American Cyanamid plant site.

In an effort to resolve the issues, representatives and your agency on an almost daily basis over the last several weeks. If your agency feels the need to have a technical assistance team evaluate this site, please carry out this process. The City of Fort Worth wishes to encourage EPA to carry out whatever analysis you deem appropriate. In addition, I respectfully request your agency to provide a written explanation as to the position EPA has had in the past and currently has regarding the facility.

I want to assure you that our intention is to resolve the concerns on the American Cyanamid site and work both with your agency and the company in resolving this as soon as possible.

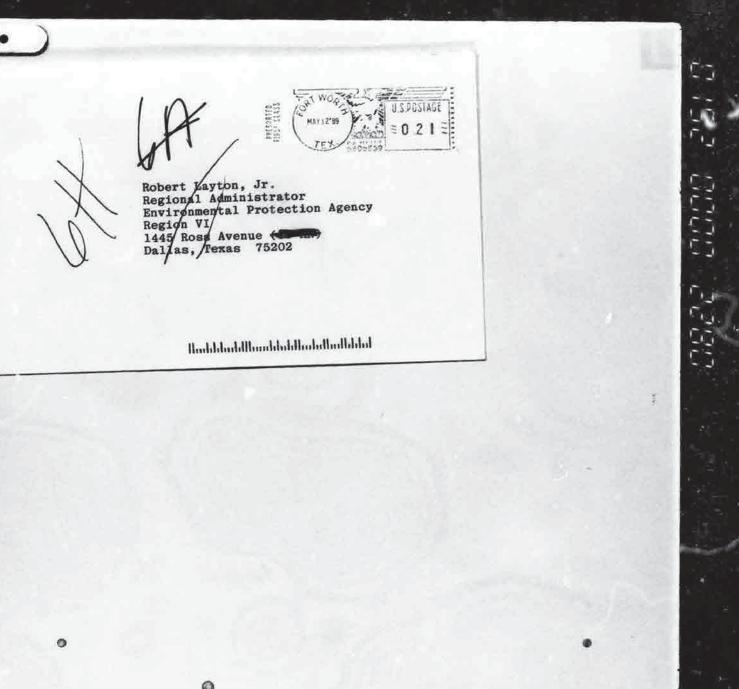
Your assistance in addressing this issue as well as any additional concerns you may have is openly accepted.

Sincerely,

Douglas Harman City Manager

cc:

B. Larry McMillen, Chief, Fort Worth Fire Department
Nick U. Curry, Director, Public Health Department
Gary Santerre, Director, Transportation and Public Works
Richard Sawey, Director, Water Department
David Ivory, Senior Assistant City Hanager
Ruth Ann McKinney, Assistant City Manager
Bob Terrell, Assistant City Manager
Ramon Guajardo, Assistant City Manager
Alan Davis, U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI



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## Region 6

# American Cyanamid Company, Fort Worth, Texas

ISSUE: What, if any, significant environmental problems exist at the American inactive American Cyanamid Company facility in Fort Worth, and what involvement should EPA have in investigating the situation?

TIMING: Immediate and ongoing.

CONCERNED GROUPS: EPA, Region 6, Texas Water Commission, Texas Highway Department, City of Fort Worth, U.S. Army, public interest groups.

BACKGROUND: Available information indicates that American Cyanamid Company's Fort Worth plant was constructed under the direction of the Chemical Construction Division of the company in 1942-43. The plant was operated initially by American Cyanamid for the Defense Corporation and produced fluid cracking catalyst for removal of excess nitrogen and sulphur from crude oil. The catalyst was used to produce aviation grade gasoline for the U.S. Armed Services during World War II.

Upon completion of the contract, American Cyanamid purchased the facilities and continued to produce fluid cracking catalyst. The major raw material for the process was bauxite ore and various other substances, including nickel, cobalt, vanadium, and molybdenum, were used to impregnate the catalyst for different results.

Three waste ponds (approximately 50'x70') were located at the facility and used in the treatment process at one time. Prior to 1964, the company discharged all wastewater to the Trinity River. At the time of an EPA inspection of the facility in 1980, the waste stream (containing nitric and sulfuric acid) was neutralized with caustic in an underground tank before going to one of the ponds for settling. Overflow was discharged to the City of Fort Worth Wastewater Collection System. Storm water, mixed with a portion of process water was discharged periodically (about 6-8 times a year) to the Trinity River. After storage in an underground tank, a copper and water waste stream was removed and disposed of by deep well injection off-site.

Hydrocyanic acid (HCN), also referred to as hydrogen cyanide, was apparently produced by American Cyanamid in California until 1955. The cylinders of HCN were distributed to other plants to sell to farmers for fumigation of grain silos. The company has indicated that no cylinders were stored at the Fort Worth plant since 1965.

American Cyanamid submitted to EPA a Notification of Hazardous Waste Activity on August 18, 1980. Additionally, the company submitted a Part A permit application on November 10, 1981, and was granted Interim Status to store hazardous wastes in tanks and containers. Those wastes

identified in the Part A include: spent solvents (F001-F003 and F005/container storage); chromium waste (D007/tank storage); and low pH wastes (D002/tank treatment). The treatment of the D002 waste was found to be excluded from RCRA, as treatment occurred in a primary neutralization tank, and was removed from the Part A on August 4, 1981. American Cyanamid ceased operation and clean closed all Interim Status hazardous waste management units in mid-1983. The permit application was formally withdrawn on April 30, 1984.

EPA conduct d a Preliminary Assessment on the site in November 1979, and a Site Inspection in July 1980. The Site Inspection was conducted as a result of a referral from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. We concluded in October 1982 that no further action was needed under Superfund because the facility was active and regulated under RCRA.

In June 1981, American Cyanamid submitted a notification for a hazardous waste site to EPA in accordance with section 103(c) of CERCLA. The company stated that 25 to 50 partially filled drums of vanadium containing catalyst had been buried on the site in 1972. However, in August of 1981, the company withdrew the earlier notification noting that the material was not listed or characteristic hazardous waste.

Over the years, numerous allegations have surfaced about handling and disposal of hazardous materials at the American Cyanamid facility. Secret operations by the Army, including production of nerve gas, have been rumored, but not substantiated. Numerous former employees reportedly have suffered serious illnesses. Some of the former employees have taken legal action against the company, but none have been settled.

One of the former employees who has pending legal action against American Cyanamid was interviewed by EPA in January 1981. As a result of that interview, EPA sent a RCRA 3007 letter to the company requesting information regarding disposal of hazardous wastes at the Fort Worth facility. The company's response questioned EPA's authority to seek information from the company under section 3007, but answered our questions anyway. The response added very little new information (only about the 25-50 drums mentioned above) and specifically stated that there was no evidence of any HCN cylinders being disposed of on-site.

CURRENT STATUS: The Texas State Highway Department is evaluating alternative alignments for State Highway 121 north of Downtown Fort Worth. One or more of the alternatives could pass through portions of the American Cyanamid property. One or more of the alternatives could also pass through portions of a historic neighborhood. The introduction of the historic preservation issue apparently has caused the questions about what is buried on the American Cyanamid property to resurface.

The City of Fort Worth had been in contact with American Cyanamid about addressing the issue even the current media storm commenced. The City

has now sped up the process and plans to meet with the company on May 4 or 5. The City apparently prefers to work with American Cyanamid to assess the situation, determine if any problems exist, and have the company conduct any cleanup that might be necessary.

Relative to RCRA, all hazardous waste management units are closed and the facility is inactive. Releases, should they have occurred, would appear to have originated from pre-RCRA land disposal units.

The Texas Water Commission has taken the position that there is no new information about the site. They acknowledge that some substances are still burie, at the site but that they are not causing a problem.

The American Cyanamid site has not been ranked using the Hazard Ranking System model. However, based on available information, it does not appear that the site would be a potential NPL candidate (using either the current or proposed revised HRS) because of a lack of targets in the available pathways.

#### OPTIONS:

General

Monitor the investigation of the City of Fort Worth and provide technical review assistance if requested.

Superfund

1. Pre-remedial site inspection and HRS prescore analysis to follow up on previous investigation. This approach would allow us to gather more information, but the site does not appear to be a potential NPL candidate.

2. Preliminary assessment for emergency response action. This would allow us to gather information about what was buried at the site, but there appears to be no substantiated, or new, allegations about activities at the facility.

 Enforcement action to force American Cyanamid to conduct a remedial investigation. Sufficient cause may be lacking.

RCRA

1. Section 3013 Order to require monitoring, testing, and reporting with respect to a site where a release of a hazardous waste has occurred. We do not know at this time whether a release of hazardous waste has occurred. 2. Section 3008(h) Order to require corrective action/investigation to be conducted at an Interim Status facility where a release of hazardous waste or hazardous constituents has occurred. As with 3013, we do not have conclusive evidence at this time.

KEY CONTACT: Allyn M. Davis, Director Hazardous Waste Management Division

(214) 655-6700 (FTS) 255-6700 (214) 739-5025 (home) Prepared by: William Taylor 5-6740

# Superfund File Chronology

- January 30, 1979 Letter from Wallace Cooper, EPA to David Butterfield, American Cyanamid, regarding disposal of hydrocyanic acid (HCN) cylinder and thanking American Cyanamid for efforts to locate and properly dispose of same.
- February 12, 1980 Preliminary Assessment of American Cyanamid facility by EPA, apparent Seriousness of problem identified as "none".
- March 10, 1980 Final Strategy determination by EPA on facility, no apparent problem no action needed.
- June 27, 1980 Record of Communication regarding a telephone call from Mr. Kurtz, OSHA Dallas Regional Office, to Bob Forrest, EPA, advising EPA of allegations by former American Cyanamid employee of burial on company property of 2-3 HCN cylinders, vanadium pentoxide, copper compounds and other chemicals.
- July 17, 1980 Memo from Gerald Fontenot, EPA, to Charlie Gazda, EPA, requesting an inspection of the facility based on the former employee's allegations.
- July 30, 1980 Notice of Inspection of facility under Section 3007 of RCRA and Section 308 of FWPCA, Inspector Robert Hiller, EPA, Recipient Albert Hoff, American Cyanamid (samples collected).
- July 30, 1980 Site Inspection Report by EPA (with Ecology and Environment, Inc.), apparent seriousness of problem identified as "low".
- August 11, 1980 Memo Robert Hiller, EPA, to Charles Gazda, EPA, summarizing Site Inspection Report, references HCN cylinders distributed to plants to sell to farmers but no cylinders at Fort Worth plant since 1955.
- August 12, 1980 Letter Richard B. Tabakin, Coordinator Environmental Science, American Cyanamid to Dr. William Langley, Chief Houston Lab, EPA, requesting that only soluble fraction of samples be determined and that EPA advise the company of the method being used.
- August 26, 1980 Memo from U.S. Department of Labor, Fort Worth Area Office, to Ray Lozano, EPA, transmitting results of analyses of soil samples taken as a part of an OSHA investigation. Vanadium, copper, molybdenum, nickel, and lead detected in samples from surface around former disposal areas, and in drainage ditch leading from property.
- September 1, 1980 Letter Charles Gazda, EPA to Richard A. Tabakin, American Cyanamid advising him that total metals would be determined.

- September 30, 1980 Memo William D. Langley, EPA Houston Lab, to William J. Librizzi, EPA, Director S & A Division, transmitting results of analyses for selected metals of samples taken from facility on July 30, 1980, as part of a Site Inspection. Elevated levels of cobalt, copper, lead, molybdenum, mercury, nickel, and zinc were found in Trinity River sediment at the facility discharge pipe.
- October 31, 1980 Notes to file from Dr. Bill McAnalley, EPA, on water criteria for cobalt, copper, lead, molybdenum, nickel and mercury.
- November 6, 1.30 Letter Gerald Fontenot, Chief, Hazardous Materials Enforcement Section, to Albert W. Hoff, Plant Manager, American Cyanamid transmitting sample analyses results.
- November 20, 1980 Notes from meeting with American Cyanamid, participants not stated.
- January 20, 1981 Memo from Jim Turner, EPA, to Bill Hathaway, EPA regarding
  1) information from Arthur Berkley, former employee at the facility,
  about waste disposal at the site ("no startling new allegations") and
  2) development of a RCRA 3007 letter to American Cyanamid. Attachments,
  1) Notes from Arthur Berkley, 2) list of substances, 3) drawing of
  site by Berkley and Russ Bartley, and 4) cassette tape.
- January 26, 1981 RCRA 3007 letter from Diana Dutton, Director, Enforcement Division, EPA, to American Cyanamid Company requesting information on disposal of hazardous wastes at the Fort Worth facility.
- February 20, 1981 Letter from H.J. Mitchell, Acting Plant Manger,
  American Cyanamid Company, to Diana Dutton, EPA, responding to 1-26-81
  RCRA 3007 request. Response questions EPA's authority under 3007 to
  seek information from the company, but answers questions anyway. Answers:
  1) Hazardous wastes managed onsite were corrosive process wastes,
  small quantities of ignitable solvents used in maintenance, chromium
  containing liquid waste (none of which are buried on-site) and off-grade
  phthalic anhydride catalyst sold under the tradename PAA, composed of
  silica substrate impregnated with vanadium pentoxide (some of which
  may have been buried on-site), 2) Other waste materials buried were
  neither listed nor characteristic RCRA hazardous wastes; 3) no hazardous
  wastes known to be buried relative to certain sources specified in
  EPAS letter, 4) no evidence of HCN cylinders being buried on-site.
- June 1, 1981 Letter from H. Mitchell, Acting Plant Manager, American Cyanamid Company to EPA, Region 6 transmitting the June 5, 1981 hazardous waste site notification.
- June 5, 1981 CERCLA 103(c) notification of hazardous waste site signed by H. Mitchell, Acting Plant Manager identifying waste as 25 to 50 partially filled drums of vanadium-containing catalyst (listed waste P 120).

- August 4, 1981 Letter Hershel J. Mitchell, Acting Plant Manager, American Cyanamid Company, to EPA, Region 6, withdrawing the June 5, 1981, not-ification of hazardous waste site based on 1) the waste not being pure or off-specification vanadium pentoxide and not a listed hazardous waste and, 2) the waste is not RCRA characteristic hazardous waste.
- July 7, 1982 Fort Worth Star Telegram Article titled "Dust to dust: 5 men suing company."
- October 5, 197 Final Strategy determination by EPA, site is active RCRA facility. Refer file to RCRA, no action needed.
- January 14, 1986 Letter Dick Whittington, P.E., Regional Administrator, EPA, Region 6, to U.S. Senator Phil Gramm providing brief history and stating that EPA and TWC believe based on available information "that there has been no hazardous waste activity at this site."

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# RCRA File Chronology

August 18, 1980 - Notifications.

November 10, 1980 - Part A application.

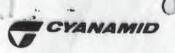
- July 24, 1981 Letter from EPA stating Part A had been received and outlining Interim Status requirements.
- August 4, 1981 Amendment of Part A from American Cyanamid to exclude primary neutralization Tank.
- June 30, 1982 Letter on financial test for financial assurance from American Cyanamid.
- July 12, 1982 Letter on corporate demonstration for insurance from American Cyanamid.
- August 19, 1982 Letter from EPA to American Cyanamid concerning submittal of financial information to states.
- May 17, 1983 Letter submitting closure plan to EPA for facility. Closure plan identifies drum and tank storage.
- 1984 (Exact date unknown) Affidavit of Exclusion form Hazardous Waste Permitting Requirement. Permit not required due to closure of facility.
- April 30, 1984 Letter from the Texas Water Commission to American Cyanamid confirming withdrawal of permit.

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LETTER WITH EPA ID TXDCORCITEGI\* Name American Cyanamia An EPA review of the attached financial information indicates the following: [] Material appears to be in order. [ ] The following deficiencies have been noted: Closure-postclosure No closure-postclosure information submitted rust fund does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(a) Surety bond does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(b) Letter of credit does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264. [5][d] Insurance policy does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(e) Fails financial test for closure Fails financial test for postclosure Original signatures do not appear on documentation Letter from chief financial officer does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(f) Corporate guarantee does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(g) Inadequate/missing CPA audit of financial statement and/or accountant's opinions Fails to address all U.S. facilities Fails to include closure/postclosure cost estimates Insufficient/missing CPA special report Other Liability No liability information submitted Insurer not qualified Insurance certificate does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(j) Insurance endorsement does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(1) Policy limits are beneath RCRA minimums Policy not in effect by required date Original signatures do not appear on documentation Fails financial test for liability Letter from chief financial officer does not meet required wording of Paragraph 264.151(g)
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American Cyanamid Company Wayne, NJ 07470

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED



July 12, 1982

Regional Administrator Environmental Protection Agency First International Building 1201 Elm Street Dallas, Texas 75270

Attention: RCRA Financial Requirements

## Gentlemen:

American Cyanamid Company (or one of its subsidiaries) operates plants in your region which are subject to regulation as treatment, storage or disposal facilities under the Resource Conservation & Recovery Act (RCRA). These plants are listed in the attached Certificate of Insurance.

Cyanamid chooses to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of 40CFR264.147 and 40CFR265.147, which call for proof of liability insurance covering sudden and accidental releases at these RCRA facilities, by providing the attached Certificate of Insurance for these facilities to your office.

We believe that this submittal fulfills all of Cyanamid's present responsibilities and obligations under this aspect of these regulations.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact the undersigned at (201) 831-3261.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY

7. A. Caldwell, Jr. Director, Corporate Insurance

TAC:kr Attachment



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American Cyanamid Company One Cyanamid Plaza Wayne, NJ 07470

June 30, 1982

Regional Administrator Environmental Protection Agency First Internation 1 Building 1201 Elm Street Dallas, Texas 75270



## Gentlemen:

I am the chief financial officer of American Cyanamid Company, One Cyanamid Plaza, Wayne, New Jersey 07470. This letter is in support of this firm's use of the financial test to demonstrate financial assurance, as specified in Subpart H of 40CFR Parts 264 and 265.

 This firm is the owner or operator of the following facilities for which financial assurance for closure or post-closure care is demonstrated through the financial test specified in Subpart H of 40 CFR Parts 264 and 265. The current closure and/or post-closure cost estimates covered by the test are shown for each facility: (For further description of the facilities see Table II attached.)

EPA Region	Closure Costs	Post Closure Costs
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111	1,721,600	936,000
IV	1,583,924	1,296,000
V	2,721,800	750,000
VI	592,200	204,300
VII	250,000	75,000
VIII	0	0
IX	36,750	0
X	11,000	0
Grand Total	\$19,583,174	\$5,886,300

2. This firm guarantees, through the corporate guarantee specified in Subpart H of 40 CFR Parts 264 and 265, the closure or post-closure care of the following facilities owned or operated by subsidiaries of this firm. The current cost estimates for the closure or post-closure care so guaranteed are shown for each facility: (For further description of the facilities see Table II attached.)

EPA Region	Closure Costs	Post Closure Costs
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Clifton, N.J.	71,088	0
IV Memphis, Tenn.	2,350	0
V Evandale, Ohio	125,000	300,000
IX Sierra, California	48,000	300,000
	\$257,438	\$600,000

- 3. In States where EPA is not administering the financial requirements of Subpart R of 40 CFR Parts 264 or 265, this firm as owner or operator or guarantor, is demonstrating financial assurance for the closure or post-closure care of the following facilities through the use of a test equivalent or substantially equivalent to the financial test specified in Subpart H of 40 CFR Parts 264 and 265. The current closure and/or post-closure cost estimates covered by such a test are shown for each facility: Included in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.
- 4. This firm is the owner or operator of the following hazardous waste management facilities for which financial assurance for closure or, if a disposal facility, post-closure care, is not demonstrated either to EPA or a State through the financial test or any other financial assurance mechanism specified in Subpart H of 40 CFR Parts 264 and 265 or equivalent or substantially equivalent State mechanisms. The current closure and/or post-closure cost estimates not covered by such financial assurance are shown for each facility: Included in paragraphs 1 and 2 above.

This firm is required to file a Form 10K with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the latest fiscal year.

The fiscal year of this firm ends on December 31. The figures for the following items marked with an asterisk are derived from this firm's independently audited, year-end financial statements for the latest completed fiscal year, ended December 31, 1981.

## ALTERNATIVE II

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I hereby certify that the wording of this letter is identical to the wording specified in 40 CFR 264.151 (f) as such regulations were constituted on the date shown immediately below.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY

R. L. Martino Vice President

Dated June 30, 1982

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Attachment

# TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES 1700 N. Congress Avenue

Austin, Texas

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April 30, 1984

Mr. M. A. Taylor, President American Cyanamid Company 600 North Jones Street Fort Worth, Texas 76106

Dear Sir:

Re: American Cyanamid Company, Application No. 10103, Registration No. 30023, 600 North Jones Street, Fort Worth, Texas site

We have reviewed Part A - Facility Background Information for the above referenced site and also the Affidavit of Exclusion which was recently submitted for the purpose of withdrawing the hazardous waste permit application from further consideration in accordance with the exclusion claimed.

Based on our review of Part A and the Affidavit of Exclusion, the application for a hazardous waste permit has been withdrawn. We are retaining certain portions of the Part A for incorporation into your solid waste registration file.

If I may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact

Very truly yours,

Charles Eaney

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cc: WQ District 4 EPA - TXD008017261

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American Cyanamid Company

600 North Jones Street Fort Worth, TX 76106 (817) 332-2127

May 17, 1983

CERTIFIE MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

U. S. Environmental Protection Agency Region VI

1201 Elm Street Dallas, Texas 75270

Re: RCRA I.D. No TXD008172

Dear Sir:

American Cyanamid Company announced on May 13, 1983 its intent to discontinue production at its Fort Worth, Texas plant due to business reasons. This has precipitated the need to initiate the plant RCRA closure plan, a copy of which is attached, so that the plant can be closed by not later than June 30, 1983. We will forward documentation of closure of the hazardous waste management areas after the closure is completed.

Please contact me at telephone (817) 332-2127 if you have any questions on this submittal.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY

F. J. Goletz Plant Manager

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Attachment

Cc: Mr. Jay Snow, Director
Texas Department of Water Resources
1700 North Congress Avenue
P. O. Box 13087, Capitol Station
Austin, Texas 78711

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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VI 1201 ELM STREET DALLAS, TEXAS 75270

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AUG 19 1982

Mr. T. A. Caldwell Jr. Director, Corporate Insurance American Cyanamid Company One Cyanamid Plaza Wayne, New Jersey 07470

Dear Mr. Cald ell:

Thank you for your recent submittal of the required documentation to show compliance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) financial regulations, 40 CFR 265, Subpart H, as amended on April 7, 1982, 47 FR 16032, and April 16, 1982, 47 FR 16544. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region VI has authorized the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to operate separate RCRA programs in lieu of the EPA program. Appropriate contacts in these states are:

Ms. Sandra Perry
Arkansas Department of Pollution
Control and Ecology
P. 0. Box 9583
Little Rock, Arkansas 72219

Mr. Don Hensch Oklahoma State Department of Health Hazardous Waste Division P. O. Box 53551 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152 Mr. Gerald D. Healy, Jr. Administrator Office of Environmental Affairs Hazardous Waste Division P. O. Box 44066 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Mr. Robert Brydson Texas Department of Water Resources P. O. Box 13087, Capitol Station Austin, Texas 78711

Therefore, it is necessary for you to provide documentation directly to each of these states to comply with their laws and regulations.

If you have any questions, please call Henry Onsgard at (214) 767-2630 or me at (214) 767-2645.

Sincerely yours,

R. Stan Jorgenson, Chief Hazardous Materials Branch

cc: Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology Oklahoma State Department of Health Louisiana Office of Environmental Affairs Texas Department of Water Resources

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## FORT WORTH PLANT EPA I.D. NO. TXD00817261

#### CLOSURE PLAN

### Introduction

Hazardous waste activities at the Fort Worth plant consist of three operations: (1) a drum storage area (designated SO1) where drums of hazardous waste are accumulated and stored prior to off-site disposal, (2) a storage tank (designated SO2) where a chromium containing process waste is accumulated and stored, and (3) a concrete tank in which plant wastewater is neutralized prior to discharge to the local POTW.

## Drum Storage Area

All drums of hazardous waste will be shipped off-site to an approved secure land-fill. Any contaminated soil in the 3750 square foot storage area will be excavated and drummed for off-site disposal at a secure landfill.

## Storage Tank

The contents of the 113,000 gallon tank will be checked for chromium content by atomic adsorption spectrophrometric methods. If the contents contain 5 mg/l or more of chromium they will be shipped off-site for disposal and the tank will be decontaminated by triple rinsing with water. The final rinse will be checked for chromium content and, if necessary, the decontamination procedure will be repeated until no hazardous waste residues remain in the tank.

## Neutralization Tank

The contents of the concrete neutralization tank will be checked for pH. If the pH is less than pH 2.0 or greater than pH 12.5, they will be neutralized and disposed of by discharge to the POTW. The tank will then be triple rinsed with water and the final rinse will be checked for pH to assure it is non-corrosive and thus confirm that no hazardous waste residuec remain in the tank.

## Closure Schedule

The useful lives of the heretofore mentioned tanks, pit drum storage area and associated conveyance systems are considered to teminate during the first quarter of the year 2010. The closure plan as outlined above would be implemented within 30 days of receipt of the final volume of wastes and would provide that all facilities could be safely closed within 180 days after such implementation.

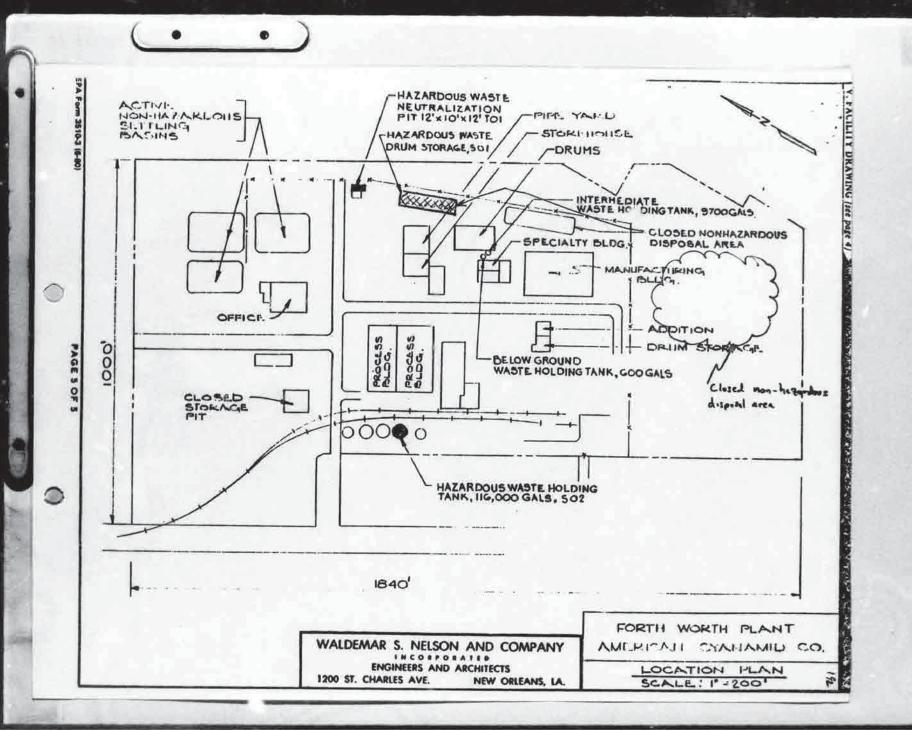
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## Post-Closure

No post-closure monitoring of hazardous waste facilities is planned for the Fort Worth Plant. All contaminated facilities are to be either decontaminated or removed for off-site disposal, therefore no residual hazardous wastes would be released following closure.

# Closure Cost

The Closure cost stimated for the Fort Worth Plant is \$25,000. Attached is the Closure Plan for an explanation of the closure procedures.



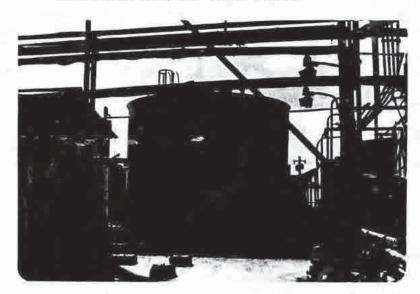
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FORM 3. HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMIT APPLICATION EPA 1.D. NO. TXD008017261

VI. PHOTOGRAPHS



Drum Storage Area, SO1 (15 Oct. 1980)



Holding Tank, 116,000 Gallons, S02 (15 Oct. 1980)

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VI. PHOTOGRAPHS (Cont.)



Neutralization Sump,  $12^{\circ}$  x  $10^{\circ}$  x  $12^{\circ}$ , TO1 (15 Oct. 1980) (Sump is just to the right of the cooling tower)



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American Cyanamid Company 800 North Jones Street Fort Worth, TX 76106 (817) 332-2127

August 4, 1981

CERTIFIED MAIL
Return Receipt Requested

Change 3-11-82

EPA Region VI Department 6 AEP 1201 Elm Street First International Building Dallas, TX 75270

Re: American Cyanamid Company Fort Worth Plant EPA I.D. No. TXD008017261

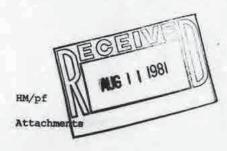
Dear Mr. Woods:

In our Part A application for a hazardous waste permit submitted November 14, 1980, we included treatment facilities which have subsequently been exempted by the regulations. Specifically, process code T01 on line 3 of item III (on page 1 of form 3) and waste code D002 on line 5 of item IV (on page 3 of form 3) refer to the neutralization of wastes, which are characterized as hazardous only because of corrosivity, carried out in a concrete neutralization tank. We believe that this specific system is subject to the "elementary neutralization unit" exemption outlined in the November 17, 1980 Federal Register (45 FR 76074-76075) and request that our permit be modified by removing this tank from the classification of a hazardous waste treatment facility.

Revised affected pages of the application, based on the aforementioned changes, are attached. Please advise if there are any questions.

Yours very truly,

Hershel J. Mitchell Acting Plant Manager







### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VI 1201 ELM STREET DALLAS, TEXAS 78270

July 24, 1981

American Cyanamid Company Attn: Albert Hoff 600 North Jones Fort Worth, Texas 76106

EPA ID NUMBER:

TXD 00 801 7261

FACILITY LOCATION:

600 North Jones Fort Worth, Texas

This is to acknowledge that the Environmental Protection Agency has completed processing the information submitted in your Part A Hazardous Waste Permit Application. It is the Agency's opinion, based on the assumption that the information submitted is complete and accurate, you as an owner or operator of a hazardous waste management facility have met the requirements of Section 3005(e) of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) for Interim Status. EPA has not verified the information submitted. If it is determined that the information is incomplete or inaccurate, you may be asked to provide additional information or in certain circumstances it may be determined that you do not qualify for interim status. In addition, this notice does not preclude a citizen from taking legal action under the provisions of Section 7002 of RCRA.

A facility not meeting the requirements for interim status under Section 3005 of RCRA may be required to close until such time as a hazardous waste permit is issued. Interim status may also be terminated, according to procedures in 40 CFR Part 124, if the owner or operator fails to furnish additional information which EPA requests in order to process a permit application.

As an owner or operator of a hazardous waste management facility, you are required to comply with the interim status standards as prescribed in 40 CFR Parts 122 and 265 or with State rules and regulations in those States which have been authorized under Section 3006 of RCRA. In addition, you are reminded that operating under interim status does not relieve you from the need to comply with all applicable State and local requirements.

The enclosure to this letter identifies the processes your facility may use, their design capacities and the types of waste your facility may accept during interim status. This information was obtained from the Part A Permit Application. If you wish to handle new wastes, change processes, increase the design capacity of existing processes, or change ownership or operational control of the facility, you may do so only as provided in 40 CFR Sections 122.22 and 122.23.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Dwight Corley at (214) 767-2765, or write Mail Code 6E-P, 1201 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas 75270.

Sincerely,

Diana Dutton, Director Enforcement Division (6E)

cc: Texas Department of Water Resources

# CONDITIONS OF OPERATION DURING INTERIM STATUS

Date prepared: JUTy 24, 1981

The information shown below is based solely on the information that the owner and operator of this facility submitted in Part A of the Hazardous Waste Permit Application. This is not a determination by EPA that this facility is an environmentally acceptable facility for treating, storing or disposing of the hazardous wastes listed below.

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C. SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL PROCESS CODES OR FOR DESCRIBING OTHER PROCESSES (code "T04"). FOR EACH PROCESS ENTERED HERE INCLUDE DESIGN CAPACITY.

Line No.	Process Code	Explanation
1	S01	Waste is accumulated in 55 gallon drums.
3	TOL	Below grade concrete neutralization tank.

- IV. DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS WASTES

  A. EPA HAZARDOUS WASTE NUMBER Enter the four-digit number from 40 CFR, Subpart D for each listed hazardous waste you will handle. If you handle hazardous wastes which are not listed in 40 CFR, Subpart D, enter the four-digit number(s) from 40 CFR, Subpart C that describes the characteris-
- B. ESTIMATED ANNUAL QUANTITY For each listed waste entered in column A estimate the quantity of that waste that will be handled on an annual basis. For each characteristic or toxic contaminant entered in column A estimate the total annual quantity of all the non-listed waste/s/ that will be handled which possess that characteristic or contaminant.
- C. UNIT OF MEASURE For each quantity entered in column B enter the unit of measure code. Units of measure which must be used and the appropriate

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If facility records use any other unit of measure for quantity, the units of measure must be converted into one of the required units of measure taking into account the appropriate density or specific gravity of the waste.

D. PROCESSES

1. PROCESS CODES:

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For listed hazardous weste: For each listed hazardous weste entered in column A select the code/s/ from the list of process codes contained in Item III to indicate how the waste will be stored, treated, and/or disposed of at the facility.

For non-listed hazardous westes: For each characteristic or toxic contained in entered in column A, select the code/s/ from the list of process codes contained in Item III to indicate all the processes that will be used to store, treat, and/or dispose of all the non-listed hazardous westes that possess that characteristic or toxic containing.

Note: Four spaces are provided for entering process codes, if more are needed: (1) Enter the first three as described above; (2) Enter "000" in the extreme right box of Item IV-D(1); and (3) Enter in the space provided on page 4, the line number and the additional code(s).

2. PROCESS DESCRIPTION: If a code is not listed for a process that will be used, describe the process in the space provided on the form.

NOTE: HAZARDOUS WASTES DESCRIBED BY MORE THAN ONE EPA HAZARDOUS WASTE NUMBER - Hezardous wastes that can be described by more than one EPA Hazard. Is Waste Number shell be described on the form as follows:

1. Select one of the FAA Hazardous Waste Numbers and enter it in column A. On the same line complete columns B,C, and D by estimating the total annual

quantity of the waste and describing all the processes to be used to treat, store, and/or dispose of the waste.

2. In column A of the next line enter the other EPA Hazardous Waste Number that can be used to describe the waste, in column D(2) on that line enter "included with above" and make no other entries on that line.

3. Repeat step 2 for each other EPA Hazardous Waste Number that can be used to describe the hazardous waste.

EXAMPLE FOR COMPLETING ITEM IV (shown in line numbers X-1, X-2, X-3, and X-4 below) — A facility will treet and dispose of an estimated 900 pounds per year of chrome shavings from leather tanning and finishing operation. In addition, the facility will treet and dispose of three non-listed wastes. Two westes are corrosive only and there will be an estimated 200 pounds per year of each waste. The other weste is corrosive and ignitable and there will be an estimated 100 pounds per year of that waste. Treatment will be in an inclinerator and disposal will be in a landfill.

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November 14, 1980

EPA Region VI-Attn: 6 AEP 1201 Elm Street First International Bldg. Dallas, TX 75270

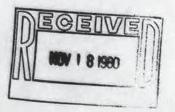
Dear Mr. Woods:

Attached herewith is Part A, Application for a Hazardous Waste Permit for the Fort Worth plant submitted in accordance with the regulations contained in EPA's Consolidated Permits Program.

This submission or any past or future discussions or communication with respect to this matter is not intended to admit any liability or to waive any rights.

Very truly yours,

Albert Hoff Plant Manager



### EPA NOTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE ACTIVITY

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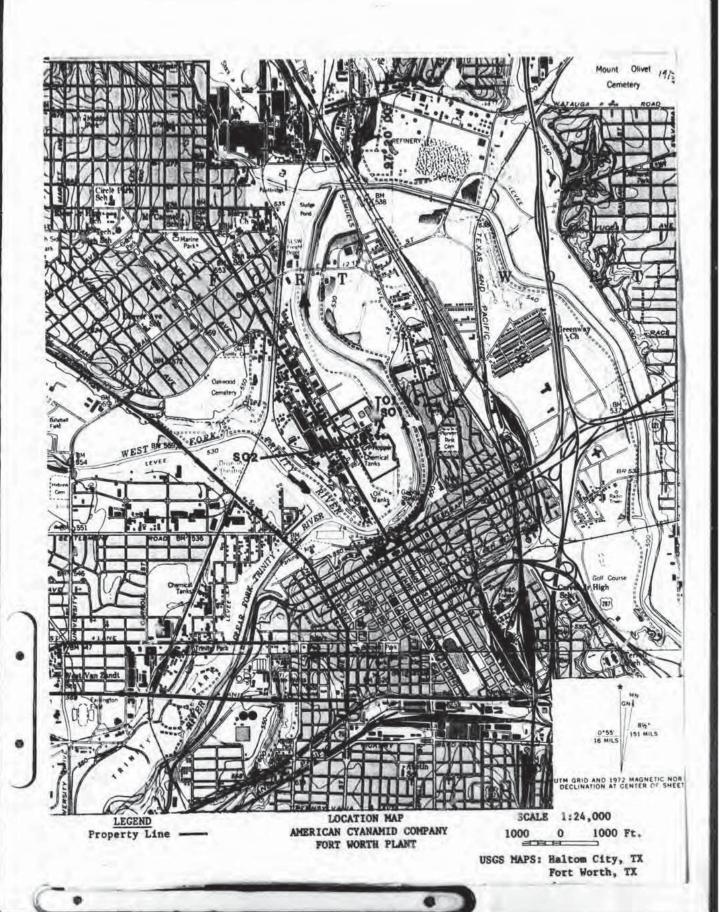
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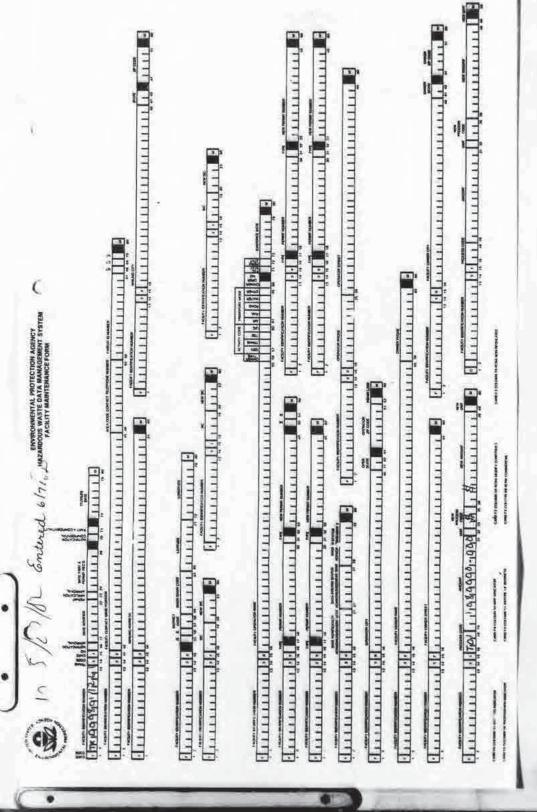
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\*The Fort Worth Plant submitted an NPDES permit application for approval on September 23, 1980.

### X. Existing Environmental Permits (continued)

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American Cyanamid Company Industrial Chemicals Division Wayne, NJ 07470

August 12, 1980

TXD 008017261

EPA Region VI ATTN: 6AEP 1201 Elm Street First International Building Dallas, TX 75270

Reference: American Cyanamid Company Fort Worth, TX Plant TXD 008017261

Dear Sir:

Please find attached the Notification of Hazardous Waste Activity, EPA Form 8700-12, for American Cyanamid Company's Fort Worth, TX plant.

Please advise if any further information is required.

Very truly yours,

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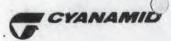


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American Cyanamid Company Wayne, NJ 07470

August 15, 1980

This location is a warehouse and distribution center which handles a wide variety of c mercial products. Some of these products could qualify as hazardous wastes under RCRA when it becomes necessary to dispose of them.

As is true of any such activity, a small quantity of waste material, including waste which could be classified as hazardous wastes under RCRA, is occasionally generated at this location via damaged containers.

To the best of our knowledge, no such generation of hazardous wastes under RCRA has occurred at this site during the preceding ninety (90) days. However, the future frequency and extent of such generation events cannot be reasonably predicted.

It is our understanding that, although such future generation events may occur only very infrequently, and although the quantities of hazardous waste so generated might be well within any small quantity generator exclusion limits established by the EPA, we may be required by 261.5(d) to have interim status as a treatment/storage/disposal facility under RCRA in order to conduct the normal activities incidental to the clean up and disposal of any hazardous wastes so generated.

Accordingly, we are submitting the enclosed Notification of Hazardous Waste Activity and requesting Part A of the application in order to obtain interim status under RCRA as a treatment/storage/disposal facility.

The certification in the enclosed Notification is made in light of the above approach to this matter.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN CYANAMID COMPANY

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## AFFIDAVIT OF EXCLUSION FROM HAZARDOUS WASTE PERMITTING REQUIREMENT 30023 Registration No. Application No. 10103 TXD 008017261 (Dept. Use Only) Facility Name County of M. A. Taylor being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am President, Chemical Products Division, having responsibility for American Title (Owner or Principal Officer) Facility Owner Cyanamid Company's Ft. Worth, TX Plant; 600 North Jones Street; Ft. Worth, TX 76106. and Address This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of notifying the Executive Director of the Texas Department of Water Resources that the named facility does not require a hazardous waste permit because: Check appropriate box(es): No hazardous waste is stored, processed or disposed on-site The facility qualifies for the "Accumulation Time" storage exclusion of Texas Administrative Code, Section 335.69 The facility qualifies for the "Small Quantity Generator" exclusion of Texas Administrative Code, Section 335.2(e) The facility qualifies for the "Elementary Neutralization Unit" exclusion of Texas Administrative Code, Section 335.2(f) The facility qualifies for the "Wastewater Treatment Unit" exclusion of Texas Administrative Code, Section 335.2(f) Other (Explain with an attachment and reference TDWR rule) This facility has been closed in accordance with an approved closure plan. The facility no longer stores, processes, or disposes of hazardous waste. la ignature Sworn to before me this day of Decen day of December , 198 & crick County, N. J My commission expires October 19, 1985

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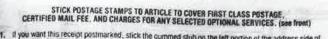
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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

The Class 4 claim filed on behalf of the claim	
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IF NO OBJECTION IS FILED WITH THE COURT AND SERVED ON THE REHABILITATOR WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE, ALL RIGHTS TO OBJECT TO THE AMOUNT OF THIS CLAIM DETERMINATION ARE WAIVED AND THE COMPANY'S DETERMINATION, AS SET FORTH ABOVE, SHALL BE FINAL AND SHALL LIMIT THE COMPANY'S MAXIMUM LIABILITY TO THE CLAIMANT AND THE INSURED POLICYHOLDER TO THE AMOUNT OF THE DETERMINATION.

THIS NOTICE OF CLAIM DENIAL IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE COMPANY'S PLAN OF REHABILITATION APPROVED BY THE COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA. IF NO OBJECTION IS TIMELY AND PROPERLY FILED, THE COMPANY'S DETERMINATION SHALL BE BINDING AND ENFORCEABLE ON THE CLAIMANT AND THE INSURED/POLICYHOLDER AND SHALL RELEASE THE COMPANY FROM ALL LIABILITY TO THE CLAIMANT AND THE INSURED/POLICYHOLDER, AND SHALL RELEASE THE INSURED/POLICYHOLDER FROM ALL LIABILITY TO THE CLAIMANT, IN EXCESS OF THE CLAIM DETERMINATION SET FORTH HEREIN.

THIS NOTICE IS NOT AN OFFER OF SETTLEMENT. RATHER, THE NOTICE SETS FORTH THE REHABILITATOR'S DETERMINATION OF THE MAXIMUM VALUE OF THE CLAIM AND LIABILITY TO THE ESTATE. INFORMATION RECEIVED AND EVENTS THAT OCCUR SUBSEQUENT TO THE ISSUANCE OF THIS NOTICE MAY REDUCE THE AMOUNTS ULTIMATELY PAID, IF ANY, ON THIS CLAIM.

FOR CLAIMS IN EXCESS OF \$10,000 COURT APPROVAL IS REQUIRED BEFORE THE AMOUNT OF THIS DETERMINATION MAY BE PAID. ALL PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN OF REHABILITATION BASED ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF CLASS IV CLAIMS.

The Plan of Rehabilitation requires that you keep us informed of any change of address so we are able to keep in touch with you as this matter evolves.

> Frank J. Johann Claims Evaluator

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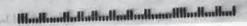
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American Cyanamid Company One Cyanamid Plaza Wayne, NJ 07470

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Mr Jerry Truitt E- Region VI - Texas Section Mail Code 6 HCT 1445 Ross Avenue Dallas, Texas 75202

RE: CYANAMID'S FT. WORTH PLANT SITE
INVESTIGATION AND RISK ASSESSMENT

Dear Mr. Truitt:

Enclosed is a copy of the Site Investigation and Risk Assessment report prepared by Roy F. Weston for American Cyanamid's Ft. Worth facility.

We are also enclosing a News and Information release on the report and background information. These documents were prepared for release to the public during a joint news conference, with the City of Ft. Worth, scheduled on Monday, March 26, 1990 at 2:00 PM in the City Manager's Office.

Please contact either me or Mr. Anton C. Marek of Cyanamid at 201-831-2000 with any questions or additional information regarding this subject.

Very truly yours,

RCM:gh R. C. Merrell Enc. Environmental

Environmental Project Manager

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## **News & Information**

Public Affairs Division Wayne, NJ 07470 (USA) contact

Linda Heimburg 201-831-2224

FOR IN EDIATE RELEASE

FORT WORTH, TEXAS -- March 26, 1990 -- The results of a soil and groundwater sampling program conducted at the former American Cyanamid catalyst manufacturing facility by Roy F. Weston, Inc., independent environmental consulting engineers, showed that materials buried on site do not pose a risk to human health or the environment.

"The city is pleased that Cyanamid has taken the extra step to evaluate the site," said Rick Hay, assistant to the city manager. "The results show that the materials known to be on the site are not toxic nor do they pose a threat to the community."

Cyanamid and the city agreed to the site investigation six months ago, which included sampling surface soils, soils below ground, storm water runoff and groundwater in more than 30 areas in and around the plant site.

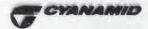
"The materials buried on site are non hazardous and are located in well-defined areas," said Tony Marek, manager of commercial environmental services. "As shown in the site investigation, they do not tend to leach into the environment. In accordance with state regulations, we intend to leave the materials undisturbed in their present locations."

The company is removing asbestos from the site, and demolition work will continue throughout the year.

Cyanamid is a research-based biotechnology and chemical company which discovers and develops medical, agricultural, chemical and consumer products and manufactures and markets them around the world.

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Fort Worth Plant Background Paper

According to Cyanamid records, the Fort Worth plant was built by Defense Plant Corporation in the 1940s at the request of the United States government to manufacture cracking catalyst. This was considered a strategic material used in the production of petroleum products for the war effort.

Cyanamid purchased the facility in 1946 and continued operating it as a petroleum refinery catalyst plant until the plant closed in 1983 when it became unprofitable to continue to manufacture refining catalyst for a declining oil industry.

The facility was closed according to federal and state guidelines under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), which guidelines require that such closures be protective of human health and the environment. Copies of these closure plans are filed with the EPA Region V in Dallas and the Texas State Water Commission.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

During the history of the plant, it was industrial practice to dispose of certain materials on site in accordance with existing environmental regulations.

Cyanamid believes that any materials buried on its Fort Worth site do not pose a hazard.

Catalyst manufactured at the site consisted of non-hazardous silica/aluminum substrate into which trace quantities of heavy metals may be impregnated depending on production requirements. Cyanamid manufactured catalysts containing nickel, vanadium pentoxide, copper, molybedenum and cobalt. These metals bind to the catalysts and do not tend to leach into the environment.

On closure of the plant site, the company hired independent consultants to determine the environmental impact of its closed facility. Four groundwater monitoring wells were drilled and monitored between 1981 and 1983. The consultants determined that the quantities of vanadium and copper present did not impact the Trinity River or the environment. Heavy metals may be present in minute quantities but they are bound on the alumina substrate and would not tend to leach into the environment. The groundwater data supports this conclusion.

- 1. We believe that a landfill in the northeast section of the plant contains 25 to 50 partially filled drums containing non-hazardous off-grade phthalic anhydride catalyst (PAA). This PAA catalyst is composed of alumina substrate impregnated with vanadium pentoxide and possibly copper. It does not pose a threat to human health or the environment.
- 2. A small area adjacent to the bird sanctuary contains a closed non-hazardous waste landfill containing miscellaneous plant debris and some off-specification alumina catalyst substrate. We do not believe that this area poses an environmental concern.
- 3. There may be some minor seepage of non-hazardous caustic material from beneath the concrete pads supporting several empty tanks. The tanks previously were used for storage of caustic and sodium silicate which were used as raw materials. This caustic seepage washed into the plant's storm water collection system during rain storms where it is neutralized prior to discharge to the Trinity River under the storm water discharge permit issued by the Texas Water Commission and the EPA. This seepage is non-hazardous as the pH level is below the hazardous level of 12.5 units established by the EPA. Since the underlying soils have a low permeability, the caustic seepage is confined.
- 4. Approximately 7,000 cubic yards of non-hazardous sodium sulphate (gypsum "salt cake") remained on site in a contained location at

the time of closure in 1983. This material was found to be wet below the crusted surface and difficult to remove. Approximately 2,000 cubic yards were removed in 1984 and 1985 to a non-hazardous landfill prior to becoming too wet to handle.

Cyanamid is planning to eventually remove the balance of this salt cake, estimated to be approximately 5,000 cubic yards. Analytical results documenting the non-hazardous nature of this salt cake have been provided to the Texas Water Commission.

5. The Cyanamid Fort Worth plant never produced hydrogen cyanide (HCN) or "nerve gas". The plant was used as a central collection center during a company recall of HCN cylinders in 1977-78, which were then taken off site for disposal. HCN was widely used in the midwest as a fumigant in silos and grain elevators for insect and rodent infestations.

Contrary to published reports, we do not believe that a leaking HCN cylinder was detoxified on the Fort Worth plant site sometime in the mid-50s. Existing Cyanamid records indicate, and former employees confirm, that no cylinders containing HCN have ever been buried on site.

Possible confusion could be attributed to a drum containing calcium cyanamide which was detoxified by treatment with cupperous ferrous sulphate and soda ash rendering a non-hazardous sodium salt.

## PROPOSED HIGHWAY

Cyanamid company officials met with the Texas State Highway Department concerning the proposed route for the Southwest Freeway in the early 1980s. At that time, the highway department was concerned that taking part of the Cyanamid property would create a hairpin curve that could lead to an increase in traffic accidents.

Due to this circumstance it was the opinion that the highway department was exploring alternative routes for the planned Southwest Freeway.

Recent comments by a design engineer in the Texas Highway Department indicated that other concerns have prompted a realignment of the Southwest Freeway away from the Cyanamid property. These concerns include the interchange at Belnap, impact on the Pioneer Rest Cemetery and a small park.

At no time was Cyanamid notified that access was impractical due to environmental concerns pertaining to its Ft. Worth facility.

## COMPANY PLANS FOR THE SITE

Cyanamid has hired a contractor to remove asbestos from piping, process equipment and buildings on the site and demolish the remaining buildings to prepare the site for possible sale or development.

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American Cyanamid
Ft. Worth, Texas
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## Background

On May 9, 1989, a press conference was held to discuss issues pertaining to allegations raised by former employees of the company. Participants included EPA Region 6 and a local ABC affiliate (Channel B).

It was later found that interviews were conducted on May 9, 1989, with both the company and the City of Ft. Morth. During these interviews employees of Channel 8 informed city and company officials that by taking the lead in the investigation the city had precluded EPA from taking an action at the site.

Phone conversations on May 10.1989, between EPA, the city, and the company in which the interview was discussed.

### New Information

As a result of the press conference, RCRA staff were directed to address some specific concerns:

- 1. Groundwater data— The investigation was conducted by american Cyanamid and was not required by TWC or the EPA. The investigation consisted of the installation of four monitoring wells, one upgradient and three down gradient of the site. The wells were sampled for pH, specific conductance, copper, vanadium, and TOC. Well #2 located immediately down gradient of the landfill exhibited a specific conductance approximately three times that found in the upgradient well (well #1).
- 2. Park area/bike trail near site. The city has no knowledge of a recreational area that borders the site, but are investigating to confirm this. Samples were taken by the City Health Dept. in April of 1988. These samples (7) were taken just outside the eastern boundary of the plant on property owned by the Tarrent County Water District. Results of these samples have shown off-site contamination (Cadmium 3.02ppm, Chromium 73.43 ppm, Copper 394.38 ppm, Lead 309.09 ppm, Nickel 484.53 ppm).
- 3. Protocol for acquiring information from DOD- Headquarters has said that correct protocol for acquiring information about DOD activities at the site would be a standard information request letter pursuant to Section 3007 of RCRA. When asked who the appropriate contact would be EPA Headquarters felt that the Assistant Secretary of the Army should be the recipient of the letter. Discussions with the Corps of Engineers has shown that the site is not believed to have ever been owned by the Federal Government although records indicate that the Federal Bovernment did at one time hold a lien against the property for a loan made to American Cyanamid to purchase the site in the early 1940s.

## RCRA File Chronology

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- 2. Letter To: Amer. Cy. From TWC date 4-30-84.
  Confirming withdrowl of permit
- 3. 4-19-82 EPA- A.C. concerning submitted of financial information to states.
- 4. 5-17-83 letter submitting closure plan to EPA for facility.
  Closure plan identifies drum and tank storage
- 5. 7-12-82 LHr Corporate demonstration for insurance from A. C.
- 6. 6-30-82 Hr financial test for financial assurance from A. C.
- 7. 8-4-81 amendment of Part A from AC to exclude
- 8 7-24-81 Letter from EPA stating Part A had been recrewed and outlinging Interior Status regiments.
- 9. Part A signed 11/10/80
- 10. Notifications

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By J. Lyney Lunestond

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"We are looking into it again," Meachan said. "We decided we needed to re-evaluate our position about a week sion stories brought up some serious ago after some newspaper and televi. He said cartier this month that if waste was buried at the site, it probably was done while such activity was legal. Former workers have said large amounts of toxic material were buried during a period after 1946.

like to talk to Author Berkfey, a former employee who said he was ordered to bury tons of waste as the plant during the 29 years he worked for American Cyansmid.

"We hope he can give us specific

information about where these materials are supposed to be buried." Mesoham said. "Before we can do asything we have to have more than allegations." Among the chemicals Berdey said he saw buried was at least one cylinder of deadly hydrogen cyanide gas agd thousands of barrels of a heavy-medal catalyst used to refine oil.

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Meacham said EPA officials are still trying to determine if the plant would quasify for federal money because American Cyanamid is still in business as one of the largest chemical compress nies in the nation. Most federal money is reserved for sites that have been abandoned by defunct companies. coughing and then the next thing you know, I was spitting up blood."
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sophisticated ground-penetrating radar to determine what is buried at the plant. The radar would be able to show

Berkley was out of town yesterday and friend, Jim Jameson, said, "I'm are Mr. Berkley would be more than and could not be reached. His attorney ered, the cost of a cleanup could be more than \$30 million, officials have said. The money for the cleanup could come from the federal government through the EPA's Superfund or whether any barrels or gas cylinders are beneath the surface. If hazardous chemicals are discov-

"In the late "70s we attempted to get

an order allowing us access to the plant and it was turned down with objections from American Cyansmid," Jameson said. "I'm sure a lot of people are infer-ceted in what is there."

Assistant Fort Worth City Manager Rick Hay said yesterday that he has not spoken with EPA officials.

The city has been in contact with American Cyanamid officials, who say they are ready to cooperate in a joint effort to find out what is buried at the plant and then take steps to clean it up. Hay and officials from the chemical

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## EPA cancels plan to study site of plant

BY MAX BAKES

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will not conduct an investigation into allegations that tons of hazardous waste are buried under the old American Cyanamid chemical plant in Fort Worth, an agency spokesman said vesterday.

The EPA reversed an earlier decision to reopen a previous investigation because there is not sufficient evidence to warrant another examination of the site less than a mile from downtown, said EPA spokesman Roger Meacham.

The EPA based its latest decision on soil samples it took in 1979, 1980 and 1981 as well as results of tests conducted by the Texas Water Commission when the plant was closed in 1983, Meacham said.

"Our ultimate conclusion now, as it was then, is that there simply is not a hazardous waste, health threat or environmental problem from waste that might be buried on the property." Meacham said.

It is now up to the city of Fort Worth, working with American Cyanamid, to resolve any problems that may surface with material at the plant, he said. Meacham said the EPA will give the city technical assistance on request.

American Cyanamid Co. produced a chemical catalyst at the plant that removed impurities from crude oil. During World War II, the company produced a catalyst to remove sodium and nitrogen from aviation fuel.

In the process it also produced tons of toxic waste, which employees say was buried on the 34-acre complex. At least five employees are suing the company, saying they have experienced serious health problems from prolonged exposure to the waste.

Those allegations recently caused the Texas Department of Highways and Transportation to alter its plans for a section of the proposed Southwest Freeway in order to avoid the Cyanamid site. That move has concerned city leaders and historic preservationists.

At a meeting with city officials last week. American Cyanamid agreed to give the city the same information and reports it provided to the EPA and the Texas Water Commission when Cyanamid closed the plant, said Tony Merek, manager of commercial environmental services for the company.

"Information given to the EPA and TWC was not forwarded to the city" (More on EPA on Page 28)

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because it was not required and the city did not ask for those reports, Merek said. "But in the last few years the city has become more aware of potential environmental situations and now have a position that they want to be kept informed.

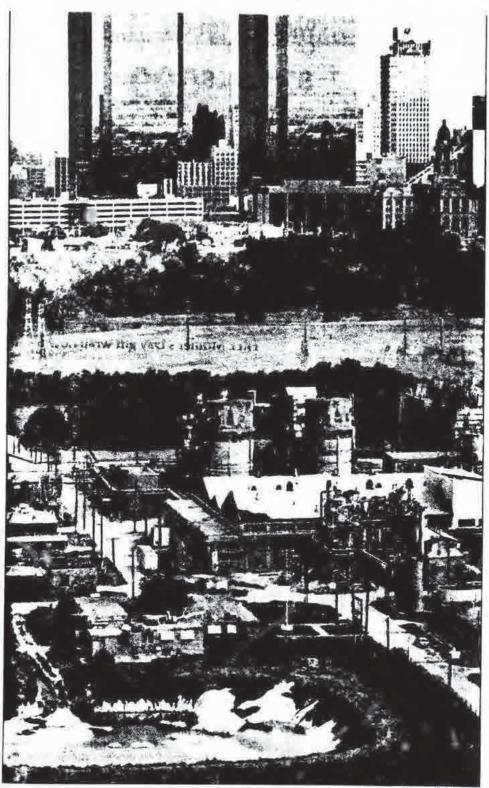
"It (the plant) was closed according to TWC and EPA rules," Merek said. American Cyanamid plant equipment in the next year, demolish the buildings by 1993 and then sell the property. Merek said. He said the plant is on prime commercial real estate, especially since the state may take one-third of it to build the Southwest Freeway.

"We've been trying to sell it as its. But it is a much more attractive site for someone to purchase (without the plant) than to have a facility that has to be torm down." Merek said.

Rick Hay, an assistant to the city manager and the former city environmental health director, has been assigned to the city's inquiry into whether the site contains dangerous materials. Hay said the city has been in constant contact with the EPA. The city and the EPA have agreed that it would be best to work with the company to locate and remove any toxic waste at the site, he said.

"We want the site addressed." Hay said. "We want the company to address the problem — and so does the EPA.—
if there is one."

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Allegations of on-site toxic waste disposal have led to at least five lawsuits against American Cyanamid Co.

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FACT SHEET UPDATE American Cyanamid Ft. Worth, Texas EPA ID# TXD008017261

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May 18, 1989

Mr. Jerry Truett U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, (6H-CT) Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Dear Mr. Truett:

Enclosed is the material we discussed regarding the American Cyanamid plant located in Fort Worth. I would welcome any comments you have regarding the test results performed by our local Health Department. I would also appreciate, if possible, a complete copy of the Weston report since the one enclosed appears to be incomplete.

Again, please feel free to contact me at (817) 870-6095 if I can be of further assistance or should you have any recommendations or concerns on how the City of Fort Worth is proceeding in this issue.

Sincerely,

Richard Hay Assistant to the City Manager

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American Cyanamid Company Chemical Products Division One Cyanamid Plaza Wayne, NJ 07470

May 22, 1989



Mr. Jerry M. Truitt, B.I.T. Environmental Engineer Environmental Protection Agency Allied Ba & Tower 1445 Ross Avenue Dallas, TX 75202

Dear Mr. Truitt:

Ray Merrell and I enjoyed meeting with you on May 4 and having the opportunity to review your files on our Fort Worth plant.

We did meet with Rick Hay in the Fort Worth City Manager's Office on May 5 as we advised you we would. We wanted to assure them that the plant was properly closed under your auspices, and that we, too, were concerned about the persistent rumors about our plant and the controversy surrounding the proposed route for the Southwest Expressway.

During our meeting with them, we discovered that they did not have the historical data concerning the soil and water samples that your office and the Texas Water Commission received when the plant was closed.

We are compiling this information for them and will send a copy to you for your files.

I am confident that once the City Manager has a chance to review these materials, he will concur with your original determination that the facility was properly closed and does not present a threat to the community or the environment.

I want to assure you that Cyanamid is ready to cooperate with you, the Texas Water Commission and the City Manager's office and any other federal, state or local agency, to dispel the rumors about our plant as we work to demolish the site and prepare it for sale.

Sincerely,

A. C. Marek, PE

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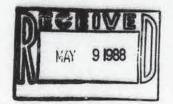
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American Cyanamid Sampling Report 4-27-88

Analysis by: James Scarberry
Ft. Worth Health Department

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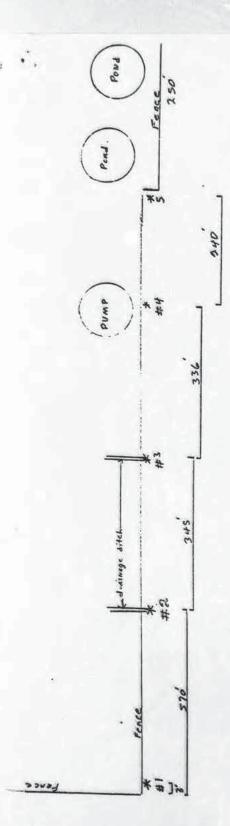
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Thank you for your inquiry of December 23, 1985, on behalf of one of your constituents, regarding allegations that toxic materials were buried at the American Cyanamid Chemical Company in Fort Worth, Texas. This facility was inspected by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on July 30, 1980. Mr. Author A.E. Berkely was interviewed by EPA representatives in January 1981, after which a formal request for information to American Cyanamid was prepared. Their desponse to this letter indicated no knowledge of any hazardous materials onsite. In August, 1981, the company withdrew its Superfund notification, which had been submitted erroneously based upon inaccurate information on the nature of one of the plant's waste materials. This material did not meet the definition of a hazardous waste under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (DEME), as orginally assumed

The facility closed approximately three years ago and voluntarily removed all wastes during closure. The Texas Water Commission (TWC) witnessed the closure and has data on monitor wells which indicate no contamination has occurred in the groundwater.

Based come upon the available information, it is the belief of the EPA and the TMC that there has been no hazardous waste activity at this site. If you should require any further information regarding this facility, please contact the TMC or me.

Sincerely yours.

Myrou O. Knudson. Dick Mittington, P.E.

Regional Administrator

cc: Larry Soward, Executive Director Texas Water Commission

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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 \*OCATION OF SITE

The American Cyanamid facility is located within the Fort Worth City limits, in the northern part of the city, adjacent to the Trinity River. Geologically, the area rests on critaceous sediments including clays, sands and gravels, and marls.

The eastern side of the plant borders on a flood management area managed by Tarrant County Water Contro! and Improvement District #1. A levee runs near the plant property parallel to the river which is approximately 700 feet from the plant border. The site is topographically flat at an elevation of approximately 532 feet above sea level. The land slopes toward the river east of the levee.

# 1.2 BACKGROUND

Two disposal pits have been operated along the eastern side of the plant from the time American Cyanamid purchased the facility in 1946 until approximately 1971. Various off-grade catalysts and process filtrates have been disposed of in these pits. Off-grade Phthalic Anhydride Catalyst is the only defined hazardous waste reported to be buried in these pits. This catalyst is composed of silica substrate impregnated with vanadium pentoxide. Interviews with long-term employees which were conducted by plant personnel indicated that 25 to 50 partially filled drums, possibly containing off-grade Phthalic Anhydride Catalyst were buried in an area to the northeast of the xerogel building. Past aerial photographs indicate both containerized and loose materials in these pits. When the disposal facilities were closed in the early 1970's, the pits were covered with about three feet of sand and topsoil. The bottom of the pit is estimated to be 12 to 15 feet below grade.

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# 1.3 PROBLEM DEFINITION

Of the materials known to be contained in the disposal pits, vanadium is the only one listed as a hazardous substance by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (Superfund), American Cyanamid has since notified EPA of the existence of the disposal pits since they are known to contain a hazardous substance. The Superfund notification also required an indication of "known, suspected or likely releases to the environment".

Although no monitoring data is required at the time of Although no monitoring data is required at the time of notification, it was the desire of the American Cyanamid Company to conduct a hydrogeologic investigation to determine the existing ground water quality and flow directions in areas surrounding the abandoned pits.

# 1.4 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

As a result, American Cyanamid has engaged Roy F. Weston, Inc. to conduct an investigation of hydrogeologic conditions at the site. The purpose of the investigation was to determine ground-water depth and flow direction at the site and to determine ground-water quality upgradient and downgradient from the covered landfill area. This will enable initial conclusions to be reached concerning the possible impact of the landfill on ground-water quality.

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#### SECTION 2

# FIELD INVESTIGATION

# 2.1 LOCATION OF MONITORING WELLS

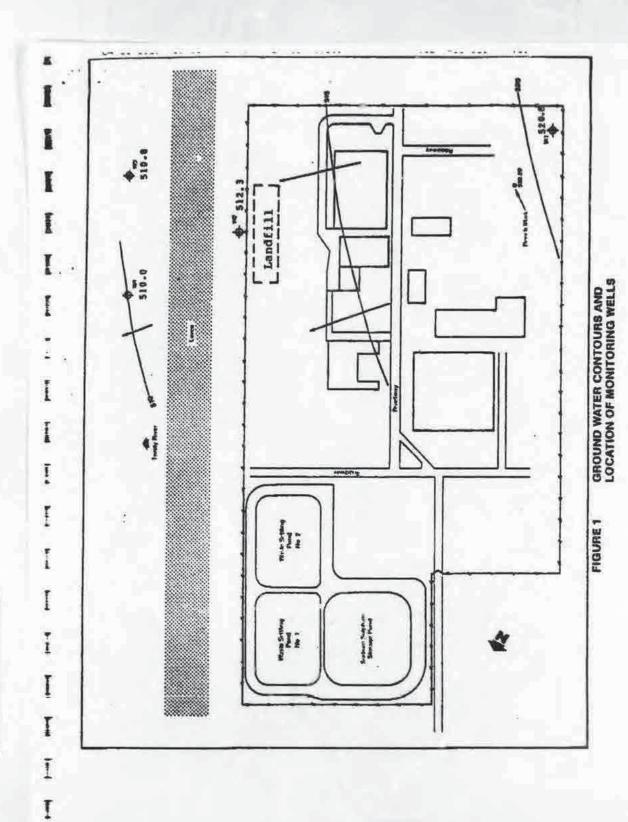
Four monitoring wells were placed in the area of investigation to measure ground-water flow and to sample water quality. The location of the wells is shown on the site plan (Figure 1). Well 1 is located in the western side of the plant, hydrologically upgradient from the covered landfill. Well 2 is located just adjacent, to the east, of the landfill site. Wells 3 and 4 are located roughly midway between the landfill and the river.

Wells 2, 3 and 4 are all hydrologically downgradient from the landfill. Well 1 is a background well and will provide a reference for water quality before it reaches the landfill area.

Because the landfill is near the eastern boundary of the plant grounds, it was impossible to locate downgradient wells on plant property. Wells 2, 3 and 4 were located, therefore, on adjacent property belonging to the Tarrant Company Water District \$1. The monitor well installation was done with the full permission of the District. At their request, pole markers were placed around each well to prevent grass cutting machinery and other vehicles from running over the protective well casings that protrude above the ground.

# 2.? CONSTRUCTION OF MONITORING WELLS

The wells were drilled using a mud-rotary method and ranged in depth from 40 to 50 feet. Four-inch diameter PVC pipe with 10 feet of slotted screen was used to case the wells. The space around the screens was gravel packed to a level five to 10 feet above the screens. The top of the pack was sealed with two feet of bentonite. The casing sections were connected with machine screens; no chemical adhesive was used. Protective six-inch steel casings were placed at the ground surface and cemented into place.



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The wet cement also served to seal the wells at the ground surface. Ground and casing elevations were determined for each well in order to reference well water depths. These elevations were tied into a permanent bench mark located on the southwestern area of the plant grounds.

# 2.3 DESCRIPTION OF SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Material en countered at each well consisted of brown clays, sand and gravels and marls. Well logs are presented in the appendix. In general, a brown, cohesive, sandy clay was encountered below the surface, underlain by sandy clay and marls from 25 to 50-foot depths.

Each well was pumped with a submersible pump for approximately one hour before sampling. None of the wells were able to retain a constant pump rate of eight to 10 gallons per minute (gpm) that was produced by the pump. When the pumping rate was reduced, Wells 1 and 2 could sustain a flow of approximately three to four gpm and Wells 3 and 4, a flow of approximately one gpm. To clear fine sediments from the wells, the pump was surged, that is, wells were pumped completely down and then allowed to recover before pumping again. Twenty-four hours after the completion of the pumping, clear water samples were taken with a bailer from each well. Sample water was appropriately preserved and shipped immediately by air express to Weston's West Chester, Pennsylvania laboratory.

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#### SECTION 3

#### ANALYSIS OF RESULTS

### 3.1 GROUND-WATER FLOW

Figure 1 presents a map of the ground-water surface upgradient and downgradient from the landfill. Well water levels ranged from 9.4 to 23.7 feet below ground surface. Ground-water surface elevations are based on well water level measurements made on 12 October 1981. The direction of ground-water flow under the plant site is to the northeast, toward the river.

Because of the relatively low permeability, the overlying clay acts as a partially confining boundary to the more permeable underlying sediments.

Table I presents well water elevations measured between 8 and 16 October. During that period, more than 12 inches of rain fell in the Fort Worth area. The rise in well levels reflects the increased hydraulic load from infiltration through the ground surface and the rise in river level.

#### 3.2 LEVELS OF GROUND-WATER QUALITY TESTS

Each well water sample was tested for pE, specific conductance, total organic carbon (TOC), vanadium and copper. The results of these tests are presented in Table II. The pH results for all samples were neutral (6.9 to 7.0). Vanadium was not present in detectable amounts in any sample. Copper was slightly detectable in Wells 3 and 4 (.06 and .07 ppm respectively).

Specific conductance is significantly higher in Well 2 compared to the background level in Well 1.

In summary, no significant differences were observed between background and downgradient levels of copper and vanadium. However, the relatively higher levels of specific conductance in Well 2 may indicate the presence of constituents not identified in the downgradient wells. 04/11/1989 13:38 TEXHS WALL TO THE PARTY OF

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#### SECTION 4

### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 4.1 CONCLUSIONS

- e Ground water beneath the site flows northear , toward the Trinity River.
- Water levels were 18 to 23 feet below the ground surface by the landfill during the investigation period. The higher level was recorded after a period of very heavy rain. Water in Well 1, on the west side of the plant ranged from 10 to 13 feet below the surface.
- No significant difference in copper or vanadium levels was observed between background Well 1 and Wells 2, 3 and 4 downgradient from the landfill.
- No detectable amounts of vanadium were present in any well samples.
- The specific conductance level recorded in Wells 2 was significantly higher than the background wells.

### 4.2 RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the above conclusions, Weston recommends the following follow-up activity:

- Well water level measurements should be made at least quarterly for one year.
   An informal record of major storms and dry periods before measurements should also be compiled.
- At least one additional round of well water sampling should be done to confirm parameters already tested.

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The ground-water quality data from the second round of sampling should be evaluated to determine the need for any additional testing.

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Dear Mr. Marek:

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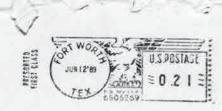
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In an effort to resolve the issues, representatives and your agency on an almost daily basis over the last several weeks. If your agency feels the need to have a technical assistance team evaluate this site, please carry out this process. The City of Fort Worth wishes to encourage EPA to carry out whatever analysis you deem appropriate. In addition, I respectfully request your agency to provide a written explanation as to the position EPA has had in the past and currently has regarding the facility.

I want to assure you that our intention is to resolve the concerns on the American Cyanamid site and work both with your agency and the company in resolving this as soon as possible.

Your assistance in addressing this issue as well as any additional concerns you may have is openly accepted.

Sincerely,

Douglas Harman City Manager

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May 25, 1989

Mr. Rick Hay Assistant to City Manager City of Fort Worth 1000 Throckmorton Fort Worth, TX 76102

Subject: American Cyanamid Inactive Plant Site 600 North Jones Street, Fort Worth

Dear Mr. Hay:

Enclosed are three copies of the background information concerning the closure of our Fort Worth plant that we discussed in our meeting. Following the executive summary, the information is organized into four categories for easy reference: site closure, EPA waste site investigations, water and soil analysis and groundwater monitoring.

Once you have had an opportunity to review these materials, I am confident that you will concur with the EPA's original decision that our Fort Worth plant was closed properly in accordance with all federal and state requirements and does not pose an environmental, health or safety hazard to the community.

I would also like to tell you about our current plans for the site and give you the cost estimate to prepare the north end of the property for potential use by the Texas Highway Department for the Southwest Highway alignment option through the property.

Our current activity is focused on preparing the property for sale. Over the next two to three years we plan to salvage equipment, remove all asbestos from piping, process equipment and buildings, remove the salt cake, which is non-hazardous, from a storage impoundment, remediate soils containing elevated pH from beneath a former raw material storage area and demolish the buildings. Equipment salvage will continue over the next year. Asbestos removal, salt cake and high pH soil remediation will begin within the next twelve months. Our objective is to have the site ready for sale within three years.

